

## Future Planning Committee Meeting Minutes - Monday Oct 24, 2022

Present - Charlie, Chris, [Ann Marie Alderman](#), Guen, Melissa  
Began 8:00 - Chris

### Old Business

Report on Action items and outreach. (See minutes below from last meeting)

- Charlie - Met with E.Brunswick and Summit
  - CONFIDENTIAL - E.Brunswick is probably not a viable option
  - Chris - Asked about whether their status might not improve if considering a merger/satellite - He thinks not.
  - Ann Marie - Agreed that their situation may be beyond that point.
- Reaching out to HUUB via their normal meetings - Website is out of date
- Beacon/Summit - Met with Tuli (sp?) and Robyn
  - **Hope and Equity Center - Social Action Project 501C3**
  - This might be a worthwhile investment of our assets - could be earmarked for food pantry.
  - Structure is in place - A cause that has a champion is sustained.
  - Their feeling is that their congregation would both support and help perpetuate the Food Pantry, as well as explore more opportunities in Plainfield.
  - Melissa - Are they interested in being a Share-the-Plate partner as a way of introducing this project to FirstU? = Probably
- Neighborhoods - Small group social action format at Summit
  - Potentially a home for social groups??
- Offer that if we want to come up and visit as a congregation, we could have a room to use after the service. Possibly on an ongoing basis.
- Summit appears invested in this sort of "Community of Communities"
- **Beacon has purchased another property and is interested in building themselves a larger sanctuary**
  - **Added - Summit NEEDS non-profit activities taking place in the building, and might be interested in letting us use this space for OUR Sunday Worship.**
- All three Somerville, Beacon and E.Brunswick have RE, but Summit's program is large.
- Summit services are 9:30 and 11:00 with social hour after either.

Board feedback on first report and timeline.

Final review of Congregational Survey

Planning and distributing calling assignments for survey.

Other items?

Old Items

- Chris/Melissa - Worship Committee to plan “visit days” to other congregations. This CAN happen in tandem with the congregational outreach.
- Chris/Worship - Reach out to congregations about visit days 12/22 Beacon/Montclair

### **Action Items**

- Follow up with Hope and Equity Center as a potential Social Action Partner
- Worship Committee to discuss the possibility of moving worship?  
Discontinuing Sunday in-person meetings??
- Chris - Format calling list
- Chris - Contact Jonne about calls
- Send link to [Ann Marie Alderman](#)
- [Ann Marie Alderman](#) to email congregation
- Guen to draft email to congregation - Survey + Phone call
- Charlie to continue with Outreach
- Chris to petition board to approved the full membership of CFPC
- Chris to call Pastor Dave and draft letter to fanwood Pres with Charlie